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In response to the October 21, 2009 correspondence, please note that Claims 1-5, 7-16, 18-34, 36, 38-42, 44-45, 48-50, 53-54, 57, 59, 69-71, 74, 76-80 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Mault et al. (2002/0027164 A1) (hereinafter "Mault-164").

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